VZCZCXYZ0003 RR RUEHWEB

DE RUEHEG #2993 1381306 ZNR UUUUU ZZH R 181306Z MAY 06 FM AMEMBASSY CAIRO TO RUEHC/SECSTATE WASHDC 8333 INFO RUEHGV/USMISSION GENEVA 0302

UNCLAS CAIRO 002993

SIPDIS

SIPDIS

PASS TO IO/T AND HHS

E.O. 12958: N/A

TAGS: <u>EG</u> <u>PREL</u> <u>AORC</u> <u>TBIO</u> <u>WHO</u>

SUBJECT: WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY: SMALLPOX DEMARCHE

REF: SECSTATE 71569

(U) Embassy delivered talking points per reftel to Dr. Nasr El-Sayed, the Undersecretary for Preventive Affairs at the Ministry of Health and Population, who will represent Egypt at the World Health Assembly in Geneva. El-Sayed stated that he is convinced that stocks must be retained for the sake of future generations in the event of an outbreak, and though he does not plan to raise the issue, he will fully support the U.S. position should the matter come up for discussion. RICCIARDONE